GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1015
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AMENDMENTS IN BIRTH AND DEATH LAWS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the street children are not part of population of the country as reported in Hindustan dated May 24, 2006;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government proposes to include such children in the census;

(d) if so, the steps taken in this regard;

(e) whether the Government is considering amendment in the existing birth and death laws as recommended by the working group on Registration of Birth and Death;

(f): if so, the details thereof;

(g) whether the instances wherein States are not following the directions issued under the existing law of birth/death have come to the notice of the Government; and

(h) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT)

(a) to (d): No Sir; In Census 2001, all the persons including street children have been counted in the population.

(e) & (f): Yes Sir; A Committee under the Chairmanship of Registrar General, India has reviewed the provisions of the RBD Act, 1969 and suggested amendments for more effective implementation of the Act. The comments of the State Governments have been obtained on the proposed amendments. The Central Ministries/Departments have been requested for their comments.

(g) & (h): The implementation of Registration of Births & Deaths Act, 1969 is the responsibility of the respective State Government/UT administration. All of them have framed Rules for this purpose. Currently, the level of registration of births and deaths is different for different States/UTs.